

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A shaft sealing device, comprising:

a shaft tube having a first end on which provided with a rotary ring, and a second end;

a main body provided with an axial hole;

a fixed sealing ring being inserted in the axial hole of the main body and adapted to confront with the rotary ring;

a positioning ring being inserted in the axial hole of the main body and mounted to the main body, the positioning ring provided with at least one positioning hole and at least one elastic member inserted thereinto; and

a retaining ring being inserted in the axial hole of the main body, the retaining ring having a first sidewall and a second sidewall;

wherein the fixed sealing ring, the retaining ring and the positioning ring are disposed on the shaft tube in loose fit manner to allow for rotation of the shaft tube; and wherein the retaining ring is located between the fixed sealing ring and the positioning ring after assembling, and the first side wall of the retaining ring connected with the fixed sealing ring to limit rotation while the second side wall of the retaining ring being biased by the elastic member of the positioning ring, the first sidewall of the retaining ring including at least one first engaging member, the second sidewall of the retaining ring including at least one second engaging member, the first engaging member being longitudinally

aligned with the corresponding second engaging member so as to simplify the entire structure of the retaining ring.

2. (Original) The shaft sealing device as defined in claim 1, wherein the first end of the shaft tube formed with an outer flange for mounting the rotary ring.

3. (Original) The shaft sealing device as defined in claim 1, wherein the second end of the shaft tube is mechanically connected with a stop ring for limiting axial movement.

4. (Original) The shaft sealing device as defined in claim 1, wherein the main body includes a plurality of passages connected an outer peripheral surface to the axial hole.

5. (Currently Amended) The shaft sealing device as defined in claim 1, wherein the first sidewall of the retaining ring includes at least one ~~first-engaging member~~ projected therefrom; the ~~first-engaging member~~ is engaged with an engaging notch of the fixed sealing ring.

6. (Currently Amended) The shaft sealing device as defined in claim 1, wherein the second sidewall of the retaining ring includes at least one

~~second~~—engaging member projected therefrom; the ~~second~~—engaging member is engaged with an engaging groove of the positioning ring.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Original) The shaft sealing device as defined in claim 1, wherein the fixed sealing ring includes an outer ring on its outer circumference to increase its sealing effect.